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INDONESIAN ELECTIONS

I Based on latest available returns (UP, 18 Oct), the leaders in the Indonesian election rank as follows:

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	(a)		Nati	onal	Party (	(PNI)	7,761,	000	25.3	
			Masj	jumi			7,601,	000	24.8	
,			Nan	ilatul	Ulama	(NU)	6,609,	000	21.6	
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II. "Allocation" of parliamentary seats by districts is such that, despite PNI's narrow lead in the voting, the Masjumi majority in areas outside Java may win it slightly greater number of scats than

THE PNI

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Masjumi will bet 43 seats, the PNI 41 NU 36, and Communists 34 (for a total of 194 out or 257 elected seats).

- B. However, subsequent allocations, which permit "Linking" of parties, could upset this slight Masjumi advantage.
- II. Arrangements for elections in areas bypassed on 29 September are progressing.
  - A. Members of army and police force (totalling 250,000) voted 15 October.
  - B Elections have been scheduled in East
    Atjeh (part of a dissident area in
    Sumatra) for late October and early
    November.
  - Meanwhile, confusion over possible restaging of election in populuos Central Java
    where PNI and Communists are charged with

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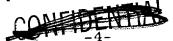


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A. Central Election Committee has not voiced an opinion on a re-run.

- B. Masjumi fears the election law is not sufficiently specific and is pressing for an emergency law on subject of re-voting.
- V. In the interim, both PNI and Masjumi apparently are trying to line up political allies.
  - A. Masjumi spokesman told US ambassador that discussions toward close cooperation among "Moslem parties" were actively underway."
    - 1. "Moslem parties" would include Masjumi, NU, the minor PSII (Indonesian Islamic League) and probably any other small Moslem parties that managed to survive elections.



- B. "Nationalist political parties" are also reportedly planning a merger, which may mean a PNI drive to build a coalition with small non-religious parties.
- VI. Final composition of cabinet, however, will be influenced by several factors:
  - A. Struggle for party leadership between right and left wings within PNI.
  - B. Attitude of President Sukarno toward internal PNI struggle.
    - favored by Sukarno, win party leadership, co-operation with Masjumi would become much more difficult.
  - C. Outcome of Moslem party discussions and possibility that Masjumi and NU may present united front.



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